

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

*100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611*



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 17, 2016

10:00 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Michael A. Alvarez, Chairman of Finance Frank Avila, Commissioner Timothy Bradford, Vice President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Kari K. Steele, Commissioner David J. Walsh, President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.***
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.***
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.***
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.***

Call Meeting to Order

President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez; Frank Avila; Timothy Bradford; Barbara J. McGowan; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; Kari K. Steele; David J. Walsh; and Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Timothy Bradford, seconded by Frank Avila, to recess and convene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 11:45 a.m., President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Finance Committee

Report

- 1 [16-0262](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of February 2016, in the amount of \$29,334,972.65

Attachments: [16-0262 February 2016 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

Published and Filed

Procurement Committee

Report

- 2 [16-0243](#) Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 16-RFP-12 Professional Services for a Biostatistician, estimated cost \$75,000.00, Account 101-16000-612430, Requisition 1419638

Published and Filed

- 3 [16-0267](#) Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 16-RFP-11 Electronic Project Management System and Technical Support Services, estimated cost \$300,000.00, Accounts 201-50000-612430, 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1422516 and 1422805

Published and Filed

- 4 [16-0273](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, March 1, 2016

Published and Filed

- 5 [16-0281](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, March 8, 2016

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 6 [16-0237](#) Authorization to Amend Board Order of December 3, 2015, regarding Authority to Advertise Contract 16-106-11, to Furnish and Deliver Organic Compounds Analyses, estimated cost \$20,100.00, Account 101-16000-612490, Requisition 1406505, Agenda Item No. 7, File No. 15-1323

Approved

- 7 [16-0256](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of February 18, 2016 Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with AT&T Corp., for Telemetry Services, in an amount not to exceed \$303,138.84 Accounts 101-66000/67000/69000-612210, Requisition 1419948, Agenda Item No. 20, File No. 16-0157

Approved

- 8 [16-0258](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of December 3, 2015, issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 15-RFP-23 On-site Physical Therapy, with Doctors of Physical Therapy LLC for a two-year period with an option to extend for a third year, in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00 Account 901-30000-601090, Requisition 1401493, Agenda Item No. 16, File No. 15-1333

Approved

Authority to Advertise

- 9 [16-0259](#) Authority to advertise Contract 16-107-11 Furnish and Deliver American Sigma Flowmeters, estimated cost \$43,000.00, Account 101-16000-623570, Requisition 1410209

Approved

- 10 [16-0260](#) Authority to advertise Contract 16-609-21 Furnish and Deliver Landscape Trailers to Various Service Areas, estimated cost \$36,000.00, Account 201-50000-634990, Requisition 1417317

 Approved
- 11 [16-0261](#) Authority to advertise Contract 16-609-11 Furnish and Deliver Mechanical Seals to the Stickney and Calumet Water Reclamation Plants, estimated cost \$43,317.00, Accounts 101-68000/69000-623270, Requisitions 1419162, 1420428 and 1420429

 Deleted by the Executive Director
- 12 [16-0263](#) Authority to advertise Contract 16-656-11 Repair and Improve Rockwell TARP DCS Computer Systems and Allen-Bradley Equipment at Various Service Areas, estimated cost \$653,600.00, Accounts 101-66000/67000/68000/69000-601100/612600/612620/612650/623070, Requisitions 1420421, 1413584, 1413254 and 1412659

 Approved
- 13 [16-0274](#) Authority to advertise Contract 16-079-11 Furnish and Deliver Plastic Trash Can Liners to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$60,000.00, Account 101-20000-623660

 Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 14 [16-0244](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with YSI Incorporated, for Pay-Per-Use Preventative Maintenance, YSI Water Quality Instruments, in an amount not to exceed \$19,000.00, Account 101-16000-612970, Requisition 1419943

 Approved
- 15 [16-0253](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Skalar, Inc., to Furnish, Deliver, and Install an Automated Analyzer Spectrophotometer and additional items for the Chemical Oxygen Demand Determinations, in an amount not to exceed \$64,830.00, Account 101-16000-634970, Requisition 1414647

 Approved
- 16 [16-0257](#) Issue purchase order to Bloomberg Finance L.P. for the ongoing Maintenance and Provision of a Real-Time Financial Information Network, Providing News, Data, Analysis, Straight-Through Processing, and Electronic Trading Tools, in an amount not to exceed \$111,500.00 for a three-year period, Account 101-11000-612280, Requisition 1422368

 Approved

- 17 [16-0264](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Burns and McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc. for professional engineering services for Contract 14-252-3F Final Design for a Flood Control Project on Natalie Creek in Midlothian and Oak Forest, Illinois, in an amount not to exceed \$933,267.33, Account 401-50000-612450, Requisition 1422353

Approved

- 18 [16-0271](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with the law firm of Thompson Coburn LLP to represent and counsel the District in connection with branding of the District's composted biosolids product and the Development and Collaboration Agreement between the District and Clearas Water Recovery, Inc. and any such later agreements that arise from that project in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00, Account 101-30000-612430, Requisition 1422524 (As Revised)

Approved

- 19 [16-0298](#) Issue purchase order to LAI, Ltd., to Furnish and Deliver Two Worthington Raw Sewage Pumps to the Kirie Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$376,000.00, Account 201-50000-634650, Requisition 1413255

Approved

Award Contract

- 20 [16-0282](#) Authority to award Contract 16-027-11, Furnish and Deliver Glass and Plastic Labware to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Groups A and B to Fisher Scientific Company LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$41,749.06, and Group C to Crown Packaging International, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$92,771.95, Account 101-20000-623570

Attachments: [Contract 16-027-11 Item Descriptions - Groups A, B, and C.pdf](#)

Approved

- 21 [16-0287](#) Authority to award Contract 15-655-12 (Re-Bid), Manhole and Infrastructure Repairs, to Pan-Oceanic Engineering Co., Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$873,225.00, Account 101-66000-612600, Requisition 1387968

Attachments: [Contract 15-655-12 Revised Appendix D Report.pdf](#)

Deferred by Michael A. Alvarez

- 22 [16-0289](#) Authority to award Contract 16-028-11, Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Laboratory Supplies to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Group A to A. Daigger & Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$45,880.35, and Group B to Thomas Scientific Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$14,658.59, Account 101-20000-623570

Attachments: [Contract 16-028-11 Item Descriptions - Groups A and B.pdf](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 23 [16-0265](#) Authority to decrease purchase order for Contract 08-041-3P Rehabilitation of Final Settling Tank Nos. 11, 12, 13, and 14 in Batteries A, B, and C, Terrence J. O'Brien Water Reclamation Plant with Joseph J. Henderson & Son, Inc. in an amount of \$52,279.80, from an amount of \$2,712,038.15, to an amount not to exceed \$2,659,758.35, and to decrease the related five percent change order allowance in an amount of \$104,061.85, from an amount of \$104,061.85, to an amount not to exceed \$0.00, Account 401-50000-645750, Purchase Order 4000008

Attachments: [08-041-3P CO LOG.pdf](#)

Approved

- 24 [16-0266](#) Authority to decrease purchase order for Contract 91-177-CE Distributed Control System for Solids Processes at Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, Mainstream Pumping Station, and Other Remote Stations, SSA, to Divane Brothers Electric Company in an amount of \$38,968.40, from an amount of \$32,849,159.89, to an amount not to exceed \$32,810,191.49, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5000978

Attachments: [91-177-CE CO LOG.pdf](#)

Approved

- 25 [16-0268](#) Authority to decrease Contract 13-681-11, Furnish and Deliver Window Washing Services to Various Service Areas, Groups A, B, C, and E to Apex Building Maintenance, Inc., in an amount of \$20,741.50, from an amount of \$49,834.62, to an amount not to exceed \$29,093.12, and Group D to American National Skyline, Inc., in an amount of \$610.00, from an amount of \$2,074.00, to an amount not to exceed \$1,464.00, Accounts 101-69000-612490, Purchase Orders 3078904, 3079009 and 3079053

Attachments: [13-681-11 Final Group ABCDE 20160304.pdf](#)

Approved

- 26 [16-0276](#) Authority to decrease Contract 91-177-DE Distributed Control System for Westside Pumping Station & Racine Avenue Pumping Station, SSA, to Divane Brothers Electric Company in an amount of \$111,668.97, from an amount of \$9,967,225.00, to an amount not to exceed \$9,855,556.03, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5001316

Attachments: [91-177-DE CO LOG BM 3-17-16.pdf](#)

Approved

Engineering Committee**Report**

- 27 [16-0278](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of February 2016

Attachments: [Attachment 1 CO Report February 2016 \\$10,000.pdf](#)
[Attachment 2 CO Report February 2016 5% Contingency.pdf](#)
[Attachment 3 CO Status.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 28 [16-0291](#) Authority to approve and execute surface and subterranean easement grants from BNSF Railway Company for the Des Plaines Inflow Tunnel, SSA (ROW File No. 6, Contract 13-106-4F), consideration shall be a fee of \$133,600.00, Account No. 401-50000-667340

Approved

- 29 [16-0292](#) Authority to approve and execute a subterranean easement grant from American Grading Co. for the Des Plaines Inflow Tunnel, SSA (ROW File No. 11, Contract 13-106-4F), consideration shall be a fee of \$22,000.00, Account No. 401-50000-667340

Approved

- 30 [16-0293](#) Authority to approve and execute a subterranean easement grant from Commonwealth Edison Company for the Des Plaines Inflow Tunnel, SSA (ROW File No. 6, Contract 13-106-4F), consideration shall be a fee of \$35,000.00, Account No. 401-50000-667340

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Frank Avila, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Abstain: 1 - Michael A. Alvarez

Judiciary Committee

Report

- 31 [16-0250](#) Report on the Settlement of Workers' Compensation Claims and Miscellaneous Claims under \$10,000.00

Attachments: [Settlements 3.17.16.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

- 32 [16-0254](#) Report on the Semi-Annual Review of Closed Meeting ("Executive Session") Minutes

Published and Filed

- 33 [16-0255](#) Report on the Approval of Closed Meeting ("Executive Session") Minutes

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 34 [16-0248](#) Authority to amend Board Order of February 4, 2016 regarding Authority to settle the lawsuit of Youssef Ihmoud v. Metropolitan Water Reclamation District and George Bee in the amount of \$19,900.00, Case No. 2013 L 009422, Agenda Item No. 15, File No. 16-0109

Approved

- 35 [16-0270](#) Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Howard Meter vs. MWRDGC, Case 14 WC 20324, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$68,000.00, Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

- 36 [16-0290](#) Authority to pay award of the Workers' Compensation Claim of Delores Ammons-Lewis vs. MWRDGC, Case 07 WC 30982, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$14,125.00, Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

Maintenance & Operations Committee

Reports

- 37 [16-0288](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Maintenance and Operations during the month of February 2016

Attachments: [R-98 Report February 2016.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Real Estate Development Committee

Authorization

- 38 [16-0251](#) Authority to issue a six (6) month permit extension to the City of Chicago on approximately 4.35 acres of District real estate located at 31st Street and Sacramento Avenue in Chicago, Illinois and known as Main Channel Parcels 42.01 and 42.15 for municipal purposes. Consideration shall be \$37,500.00

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Parcels 42.01 and 42.15 3.17.16.pdf](#)

Approved

- 39 [16-0252](#) Authority to issue a one (1) month permit extension to Shore Community Services, Inc., for the continued use of 2.58 acres of District real estate located at 2525 Church Street in Evanston, Illinois, and known as North Shore Channel Parcel 3.04. Consideration shall be \$1,610.51

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Parcel 3 04.pdf](#)

Approved

- 40 [16-0279](#) Authority to issue a 6-month confined space entry permit to the Village of Wilmette to install, monitor and remove eight (8) flow meters and a rain gauge within the District's North Shore Intercepting Sewer System in Wilmette, Illinois to evaluate the flow of Wilmette's sewer system. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [NS Intercepting Sewer System.pdf](#)

Approved

- 41 [16-0280](#) Issue orders consenting to an assignment of Lease Agreement dated October 18, 2012, between the District and Citizens Bank, N.A. (f/k/a RBS Citizens, N.A.) on approximately 4,397 square feet of District real estate located at Irving Park Road and Long Meadow Lane in Hanover Park, Illinois, to U.S. Bank National Association. Consideration shall be a \$5,000.00 document preparation fee

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Irving Pk Rd & Long Meadow Ln HP.pdf](#)

Deferred by Barbara J. McGowan

- 42 [16-0283](#) Authority to commence statutory procedures to lease 13+/- acres of District real estate located at 6100 West 41st Street in Forest View, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 38.15

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Parcel 38.15.pdf](#)

Approved

- 43 [16-0284](#) Authority to issue a 2-day permit to the Village of Worth to access the Lucas Berg Pit located at 7600 West 111th Street in Worth, Illinois for its Spring and Fall Clean-Up Day Events on April 16, 2016, and October 8, 2016. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Lucas Berg Pit 3.17.16.pdf](#)

Approved

- 44 [16-0285](#) Authority to issue a 2-day permit to Friends of the Chicago River to access District land at 14 locations along the North Branch of the Chicago River, North Shore Channel, Main Channel, and Cal-Sag Channel, in Cook County, Illinois, for its Annual Chicago River Clean-Up Events on May 7, 2016 and May 14, 2016. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [Aerial Maps.Sites 1-14.pdf](#)

Approved

- 45 [16-0286](#) Authority to grant a 25-year non-exclusive easement to SprintCom, retroactive from May 26, 1998, to place an antenna on Stickney water tower located at 5205 West Pershing Road in Stickney, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 38.09. Consideration shall be \$10.00 (*As Revised*)

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Stickney Water Tower.pdf](#)

Approved

- 46 [16-0297](#) Authority to commence statutory procedures to sell certain lobby and plaza areas on or around the 101 East Erie side of the 101-11 East Erie Street building in Chicago, Illinois (*As Revised*)

Attachments: [101-11 E Erie Lobby Plaza Areas 3 17 16](#)

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Timothy Bradford, that this Agenda Item be Deleted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Abstain: 1 - Michael A. Alvarez

Stormwater Management Committee

Authorization

- 47 [16-0269](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Glencoe for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the Skokie Ridge and Terrace Court Basins Storm Sewer Improvements under Phase II of the Stormwater Management Program (16-IGA-05), with payment to the Village of Glencoe in an amount not to exceed \$190,000.00, Account 401-50000-612400, Requisition 1423286 (*As Revised*)

Approved

Miscellaneous and New Business

Resolution

- 48 [16-0296](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Greek Independence Day
- A motion was made by Kari K. Steele, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays**

Additional Agenda Items

- 49 [16-0299](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the 13th Annual Northwest Side Irish Parade
- Adopted**
- 50 [16-0301](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners wishing the Irish American Heritage Center a happy St. Patrick's Day
- A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by David J. Walsh, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays**
- 51 [16-0302](#) Authorization to make payment to *Current* for a membership fee in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00, Account 101-15000-612280
- Approved**
- 52 [16-0303](#) Authority to transfer 2016 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$740,000.00 in the Corporate Fund and Construction Fund

Attachments: [03.17.16 Board Transfer BF5 16-0303.pdf](#)

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 11, 21 30, 41, 46, 48, 50, and 53

A motion was made by Timothy Bradford, seconded by Kari K. Steele, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

- 53 [16-0307](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners offering support for the proposed pharmaceutical collection ordinance for Cook County

A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Timothy Bradford, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Abstain: 1 - Michael A. Alvarez

Meeting Summary

Speakers

Karen Kreis, Trustee, Village of Midlothian, thanked the Board for the continuous efforts to prevent flooding (Re: Procurement Item #17)

Dimitrios Giannetos, President of Neo Kyma Messinias, accepted the resolution recognizing Greek Independence Day (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #48)

Donna Quirk Hawkins, Irish American Heritage Center, accepted the resolution wishing a happy St. Patrick's Day (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #50)

George Blakemore addressed the Board regarding various items (Re: Procurement Items #30, 51 and Real Estate Item #41)

Mike Archey, GTM Strategies, address the Board (Re: Procurement Item #51)

Summary of Requests

David St. Pierre

- 1. Frank Avila requested public outreach (Re: Procurement Item #18)*
- 2. Michael A. Alvarez inquired about the disclosure of citations (Re: Procurement Item #21)*
- 3. Kari K. Steele requested the appraisal amount. Barbara J. McGowan requested a new appraisal (Re: Real Estate Item #41)*
- 4. David St. Pierre will distribute an information packet to the Board (Re: Procurement Item #51)*

Study Session

A Public Hearing to consider the General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds will be held on Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

A Study Session to discuss the Retiree Health Care Benefits will be held on Thursday, March 31, 2016, immediately following the Public Hearing

Announcements

None

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2016, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.

Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: March 25, 2016;

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., March 30, 2016

Adjournment

A motion was made by Timothy Bradford, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. and also move that today's meeting be Adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: /s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk

Aye: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

APPROVAL:

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this March 17, 2016, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Mariyana T. Spyropoulos
President Board of Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

March 17, 2016